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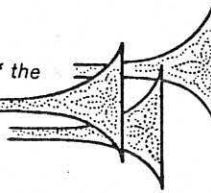
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January 29, 1969

Mr. Jody Crumbliss
AKK House
747 Court Avenue
Memphis, Tennessee

Dear Jody:

How very thoughtful of you to write. I thoroughly enjoyed hearing from you and knowing of your continual involvement in the work in Fayetteville. I am looking forward to my time with the young people there. I hope that my second visit with them will be even more effective than was the first. Thank you so much for the kind remarks you made about that visit.

I thrill at your desire to be even more involved in influencing others to commit their lives to Jesus Christ. This is the normal stance for the committed Christian. It is rare, however, that one finds the kind of commitment that I have sensed in your life.

Thank you for such an honest conversation in Dallas. It thrilled me to know that you were willing to talk with me about these matters. I was also encouraged and inspired by the attitude you had toward my presentation there.

I am sending you a copy, both in outline and written form, of my sermon on discipleship as published in my book, The Praying Christ. This sermon on "The Demanding Christ" started me on a search that has not yet ceased, for a better and deeper understanding of the nature of discipleship. I have also enclosed a copy of my lesson, "Christ on Today's Campus," as contained in the R. B. Sweet book, Jesus Christ, the Answer, and my sermon in the R. B. Sweet book, Great Sermons of 1967, entitled "The Church's Essential Nature." I am convinced that both of these lessons reveal some of the basic thinking about the relevance of Christ and the church to today's problems. I have also asked that you be sent along a copy of my sermon on "Total Commitment" as delivered in the 1966 ACC Bible Teacher's Workshop. I hope that all of this material will be useful to you.

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Of course, you realize that the most important material, and the most vital material, you can deliver arises out of your own study and life. May God bless all of your efforts to not only live the Christian life but to share your faith with others.

Let me know when I can be of further help in any way.

Your brother,

John Allen Chalk
Radio Evangelist

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Enclosures



UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE
COLLEGE OF MEDICINE
MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

Jan. 13, 1969
6:45 p.m.

Brother Chalk,

meetings for the medical units of Memphis, Tennessee. I trust
a Lord continues to bless you and be present in your every

must give you my deepest thanks for your concern in me and
me you took with me in Dallas. The influence for good that
exerted there will not be forgotten. Linda and Jerry were
kind to spend the early morning hours with me also. They
are fine folks.

Upon returning with my kids to Fayetteville, I was told
we are tentatively scheduled to be there in August for
two evenings with the young people of the area.
Somewhat detached from the work there now, I maintain a
interest in it and am overjoyed that you will return.
Young people at Fayetteville were new to that type of
last June, as I was. But, Brother Chalk, now they are
matured. Praise God! They do so much and are faced with
much that is new to them. The changes in them over the
summer were really grand. I feel like now they will be
more influenced by such a meeting. And that is
I am happy that such a "dynamic" speaker will be
them and any others who attend.

I expect to have much to do with the organization and
running of the whole affair. I am in correspondence with
Markin who took my place. He will be laying foundations
as time goes on.

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you recall, last year 3 college students spoke on
t. of the meeting. In its own way, I feel this is very
the mere seeing of one not too far removed from
one would call "young people" and hearing seek a
peak. That to the best of my knowledge will be our
on or method again. Lonnie asked Bob Helmer to return,
asked Ronnie Rogers of Chattanooga - Ga. Tech to come also.
e has been a great friend and companion of mine for
is now. I took him to a retreat at Hy-Take with
TSU group. He really impressed them as he does all.
my rate, I have been encouraging him to develop the
to speak publicly that I know he has. Fayetteville
request is what he is working toward now. He will
classes then, but hopefully he will have no Sat. classes.
rel speaker, egocentrically enough, I hope will be me.
will have to cut a ^{Sci.} Microbiology Class and lab, but that
my little obstruction. Only if a test is scheduled will
be any great problem.

So there you are. (Jim Bill McIntire, I understand,
speak on Sunday as you will need to be back to Atlanta.)
brings ^{me} to this point or request. Having had some experience
this type of endeavor, you would know what good
material would be. (If you think a general theme is best).
you would oblige us, we would like to hear suggestions.
again, I am trying to find places where too others
I will and I can hold such meetings (on a totally
unice-wise, non-profit basis). I would very much
to have any sermon outlines or the like that you feel

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teaching my method of presentation after you, I may as well
learn more. (Although I know I shall never be able to
teach God's word with the same impact and proficiency as you.)
I hope that I do not impose on you in asking these things.
Forgive me.

As matters stand now, I will be given the opportunity to
teach at MTSU the 26th of March and I will the 23rd
Apr. If at all possible, I would like to try out one of
outlines for one or both of these.

You must give my regards to Brother Stahl. He's
a "home" to. And your personal regards to Betty for me
will be much appreciated. With our common love for Him
our brotherhood, I love you, Brother Chuck.

The promise of Romans 8:28,

Jody